Edward L. Ayers, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2004.

Pedro G. Castillo, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a

term expiring January 26, 2004.

Peggy Whitman Prenshaw, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2002.

Theodore William Striggles, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2004.

19 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. 16 Army nominations in the rank of general.

3 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admi-

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Foreign Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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Measures Placed on Calendar: Page S10692 **Communications:** Page S10692 **Petitions:** Pages S10692-94

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—269)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:23 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Friday, September 10, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10710.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of General Henry H. Shelton, USA, for reappointment as the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and appointment to the grade of General, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Thomas B. Leary, of the District of Columbia, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, and Gregory Rohde, of North Dakota, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Rohde was introduced by Senators Dorgan and Conrad, and Representatives Pickering and Pomeroy.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROTECTION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the protection of religious liberty, focusing on the constitutionality of a religious protection measure, after receiving testimony from Douglas Laycock, University of Texas School of Law, Austin; Chai R. Feldblum, Georgetown University Law Center, and Gene C. Schaerr, Sidley and Austin, both of Washington, D.C.; and Jay S. Bybee, University of Nevada William S. Boyd School of Law, Las Vegas.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 2820–2838; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 183-185 and H. Res. 285–286, were introduced. Pages H8098-99

Reports Filed: One report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1752, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts, amended (H. Rept. 106–312). Page H8098 **Suspension—Clemency for Terrorists:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and agreed to H. Con. Res. 180, amended, expressing the sense of Congress that the President should not have granted clemency to terrorists by a yea and nay vote of 311 yeas to 41 nays with 72 voting "present", Roll No. 398.

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H. Res. 281, the rule that provided for consideration of the concurrent resolution under the suspension of the rules was agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 253 yeas to 172 nays, Roll No. 397.